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DR. A. SREENIVASAN : Is it not a fact that whenever the N.G.O. comes, usually, the medical attendant is not in a position to attend to the needs of the N.G.O. quickly as it should be in the case of Government servants?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : If the hon. Member gives me a particular instance, then I can enquire and tell him what the position is. How can I answer a hypothetical question?

Hire purchase transactions

* 158 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM (on behalf of Sri T. V. Devaraja Mudaliar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to exclude hire purchase transactions from the purview of the Madras Money-lenders Act, 1957?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : No, Sir.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Did the Hon. Minister receive any representation in the matter? I remember the Hon. Minister said so yesterday in answer to a question.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : There were some representations. I said we would look into the matter.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Government consider liberalising the rules so that this measure may not affect normal business transactions?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I can give a reply only after examining the question and considering it. Before that, I cannot say whether we are liberalising or narrowing it down.

B.T. Assistants

* 159 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that B.T. Assistants in the District Board High Schools in Madurai district are given the benefit of higher starting salary of Rs. 100;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that Assistants deputed for B.T. training by the District Board are not given this higher start;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the benefit of higher start is much larger than the amount of stipends paid by them; and

(*d*) if so, whether there is any proposal to give the benefit of excess over the stipend amount to such teachers?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Some Assistants have been given the benefit.

(*b*) Yes, Sir.

(*c*) The Government have no information on the point.

(*d*) No, Sir.